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At page 4, paragraph 6:

Fig. 2 B. Alignment of the human (SEQ ID NO: 13) and mouse *CDK4* (SEQ ID NO: 14) promoter sequence upstream of the TSS. Identical residues are shaded black and the identical MBS are shaded gray.

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